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Statement by the representative of the International Labour Organisation.

Present:

Chairman:	Mr. PONCE	Ecuador
Rapporteur:	Mr. OLIVEIRA CAMPOS	Brazil
Members:	Mr. ISIDORO MARTINEZ Mr. KORENJAK	Argentina
	Mr. GISBERT Mr. HINOJOSA Mr. LOPEZ AVILA	Bolivia
	Mr. Garrido Torres	Brazil
	Mr. HALES	Chile
	Mr. MORERA	Costa Rica
	Mr. GAMBOA	Cuba
	Mr. GINEBRA	Dominican Republic
	Mr. SALGADO Mr. CHAVEZ	Ecuador
	Mr. DUARTE	El Salvador
	Mr. VIAUD Mr. POUSARD	France
	Mr. MELGAR LARRIEU Mr. RECINOS	Guatemala
	Mr. MONDRAGON	Honduras
	Mr. BRAVO	Mexico
	Mr. ZIJDERVELD	Netherlands
	Mr. CLEMENT	Panama
	Mr. HERMOGENES GONZALEZ	Paraguay
	Mr. MORELLI	Peru
	Mr. WRIGHT Mr. BARNES	United Kingdom

/Mr. RANDALL

	Mr. RANDALL))	United States
	Mr. BEKKER)	of America
	Mr. ARIOSTO GONZALEZ	Uruguay
	Mr. PINO	Venezuela

Also present:

Observers from Member States:	Mr. CHENDOV	Bulgaria
	Mr. VESELY	Czechoslovakia
	Mr. VICZENICK	Hungary
	Mr. MANCINI	Italy
	Mr. ALBU	Romania
	Mr. ARAGONES	Spain
	Mr. MIKHAILOV	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Observer from a non-Member State:	Mr. ENGELS	Federal Republic of Germany
Representatives of specialized Agencies:	Mr. LAGNADO	International Labour Organisation
	Mr. MOSER	Food and Agriculture Organization
	Mr. del CANTO))	International
	Mr. KEESING)	Monetary Fund

Observers from inter-governmental organizations:

Mr. BERMUDEZ))	Inter-American Economic and
Mr. IRAÑETA)	Social Council
Mr. ROYER	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

Representatives of non-governmental organizations:

Category B and Register:

Mr. SALINAS	World's Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations.

/Secretariat:

Secretariat:

Mr. PREBISCH	Executive Secretary
Mr. MALINOWSKI	Head of Regional Economic Commissions Section, United Nations.
Mr. SWENSON	Deputy Director, Economic Commission for Latin America
Mr. SANTA CRUZ	Secretary of the Commission
Mr. MENDIVE	Secretary, Committee I
Mr. MAYOBRE	Secretary, Committee II
Mr. TRIVELLI	Secretary, Committee III
Mr. MACARIO	Assistant Secretary, Committee I

REPORT OF COMMITTEE III AND DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (E/CN.12/AC.37/5; E/CN.12/AC.37/1 to 4)

Mr. RANDALL (United States of America) asked for a paragraph to be inserted in the report indicating the reasons for the abstention of his delegation and that of the United Kingdom in the vote on the draft resolution concerning Latin American timber production and consumption.

Mr. HALES (Chile) said that he had no objection to the United States proposal, provided that the reasons for which most delegations, and the representative of FAO, had supported the draft resolution were also indicated in the report.

The CHAIRMAN said that a statement of both the majority position and the position of the abstaining delegations would be included in the report.

The report of Committee III (E/CN.12/AC.37/5), as amended, was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the study of Latin American timber production and consumption (E/CN.12/AC.37/1) was adopted by 16 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.

The draft resolution on productivity in agriculture (E/CN.12/AC.37/2) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on uneconomic farms (E/CN.12/AC.37/3) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on coffee studies (E/CN.12/AC.37/4) was adopted unanimously.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE I AND DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (Conference Room Paper No. 54; E/CN.12/AC.35/1 to 8)

Mr. GARRIDO TORRES (Brazil) proposed that the following amendments should be made in the report: 1) on page 2, to delete the words "the United Kingdom" from line 3 and insert them after the word "France" in line 5; 2) on page 2, to replace the words "regional trade" in line 7 by "trade and regional markets"; 3) on page 8, to replace the word "countries" in the antepenultimate line by the phrase "countries members of the Commission"; 4) on page 12, to replace the word "evaluate" in line 12 by the words "make an inventory of"; 5) in section 20 (a), to delete the title "Inter-Latin American Transport".

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. MACARIO (Assistant Secretary of Committee I) said that the representative of the International Monetary Fund had requested that in lines 12 and 13 of page 7 the words "at request of the Central Bank of the creditor country" and "or partially" should be deleted.

Mr. ROYER (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) proposed that the word "demand" in the antepenultimate line on page 16 should be replaced by the word "obtain".

The amendments were adopted.

The report of Committee I (Conference Room Paper No. 54) as amended, was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on an intra- regional payments system

(E/CN.12/AC.35/1) was adopted by 19 votes to none, with 1 abstention.

The draft resolution on a Latin American regional market (E/CN.12/AC.35/2) was adopted unanimously.

Mr. GARRIDO TORRES (Brazil) proposed that the title of draft resolution E/CN.12/AC.35/3 should be amended to read "Report to Governments and to the Conference of the Organization of American States concerning Payments and the Regional Market".

The amendment was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution (E/CN.12/AC.35/3) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the session of the Trade Committee (E/CN.12/AC.35/4) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the study on commodity trade (E/CN.12/AC.35/5) was adopted unanimously.

Mr. RANDALL (United States of America) explained that although he had voted in favour of the draft resolution, his delegation still maintained its reservations with respect to the Trade Committee's resolution 4 (I), which it had been unable to support.

The draft resolution on Inter-Latin American transports (E/CN.12/AC.35/6) was adopted unanimously.

Mr. HALES (Chile) proposed that the title of the draft resolution on the impact of the European common market (E/CN.12/AC.357) should be amended to read "Repercussions of the European common market."

/The amendment

The amendment was adopted.

The draft resolution (E/CN.12/AC.35/7) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the trade of landlocked countries (E/CN.12/AC.35/8) was adopted unanimously.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE II AND DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (E/CN.12/AC.36/11 and E/CN.12/AC.36/1 to 10).

Mr. OLIVEIRA CAMPOS (Brazil) proposed that the words "... and expressed the desire that ECLA, in its investments studies, should pay attention to the investments necessary for training the manpower required for the implementation of these programmes" should be added at the end of the last paragraph of sub-section (c) of section 1 of the report.

The proposal was adopted.

Mr. OLIVEIRA CAMPOS (Brazil), referring to section 5 of the report, pointed out that while the abstention of the United Kingdom and United States delegations had been recorded, the views of the majority who had expressed satisfaction with the results of the meeting of iron and steel experts held at Sao Paulo, had not been given sufficient emphasis. He therefore proposed that the following new sentence "A large number of delegations expressed satisfaction with the high technical value and practical importance of the conclusions reached by the experts meeting at Sao Paulo" should be added after the words "... of such resources" in the second paragraph of section 5.

/Mr. BARNES

Mr. BARNES (United Kingdom) said that he would support the Brazilian proposal since his delegation felt that the Sao Paulo meeting had been highly successful, its reservations with respect to the draft resolution having been of a purely technical and procedural order.

The Brazilian proposal was adopted.

Mr. OLIVEIRA CAMPOS (Brazil) proposed that a new sentence reading "It was also emphasized that the programming effort does not imply an expansion of State influence at the expense of private enterprise, but may rather be used to develop the private sector of the economy" should be added after the words "... for public and private investment." in the first paragraph of sub-section (e) of section 1. That would serve to emphasize that programming was not intended to increase State intervention.

The Brazilian proposal was adopted.

The report of Committee II (E/CN.12/AC.36/11), as amended, was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the economic integration of Central America (E/CN.12/AC.36/1) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the social aspects of economic development (E/CN.12/AC.36/2) was adopted by 18 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.

The draft resolution on technical assistance (E/CN.12/AC.36/3) was adopted by 18 votes to none, with two abstentions.

The draft resolution on the register of experts for

/technical assistance

technical assistance (E/CN.12/AC.36/4) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on Iron and Steel Making and Transforming industries (E/CN.12/AC.36/5) was adopted by 18 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.

The draft resolution on the Pulp and Paper Advisory Group (E/CN.12/AC.36/6) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on a special meeting on the mining industry (E/CN.12/AC.36/7) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on nuclear energy (E/CN.12/AC.36/8 was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on the utilization of rivers and lakes (E/CN.21/AC.36/9) was adopted unanimously.

The draft resolution on import substitution (E/CN.12/AC.36/10) was adopted unanimously.

STATEMENT BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

Mr. LAGNADO (International Labour Organisation)[1/] emphasized the interdependence of economic and social progress and pointed out that the ILO and ECLA were both striving to attain similar goals. He reviewed the ILO's activities relating to manpower problems, its co-operation with a number of specialized agencies and ECLA, and such specific activities as the programme to incorporate the Andean Indians into the economic life of their respective countries. He assured representatives that the

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1/ For the full text of Mr. Lagnado's statement, see Information document No. 48.

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ILO was always prepared to co-operate with ECLA in the performance of any tasks within its competence.

The meeting rose at 6.35 p.m.